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Hongkong Manager. Hongkong, 4th January, 1900. TTONGKONG AND SHANGHAL BANKING CORPORATION RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS: N. A. Stens, Esq., Chairman. R. SHEWAN, Esq., Deputy Chairman. E. Goete, Esq. D. M. Moses, Esq. R. M. Gray, Esq. A. J. Raymond, Esq. A. Haupt, Esq. The Hon. J. J. Keswick. R. L. Richardson, Esq. A. McConachie, Esq. P. Sachse, Esq.

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Chief Manager

Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

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Chief Manager. · Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA.

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Chan Kit Shan, Esq. D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq. J. T. Lauts, Esq. Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR. Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%

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THE WHITEHEAD, Hongkong, 20th May, 1898.

PORTLAND CEMENT

84.50 P Gask of 375 Iba Net ex Factory. 82.80 P Bag of 250 lbs.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Hongkong, 8th February, 1900. Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

SHANGHAI ... Coromandel. F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. ... Daylight, 18th Feb. Freight or Passage. S'HAI & JAPAN JavaG. W. Gordon, R.N.R., About 24th Feb Freight or Passage. LONDON, &c...Clyde* E. StreetNoon, 3rd March. Freight or l'assage. SHANGHAI ... Parramatta... A. Symons About 3rd March... Freight or Passage. KOBE Candia W.H. Haughton, R.N.R. About 3id March. .. Freight only. MARSEILLES & LONDON (PARRAMATTA31st March)
DIRECT. Freight or Passage. (Without Transhipment). (MASSILIA14th April J # (Passing through the Inland Sea). * (See Special Advertisement). For Further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

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WEDNESDAY, 2nd May.
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WEDNESDAY, 14th June.
THURSDAY, 28th June.
THURSDAY, 12th July.
WEJNESDAY, 26th July.
THURSDAY, 26th July.
THURSDAY, 3oth August.
WEJNESDAY, 2nd August.
THURSDAY, 2nd August.
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THURSDAY, 2nd August. PREUSSEN THURSDAY, 6th September.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of February, 1990, at NOON, the Steamship Coldenburg, of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Prager, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at Naples, GENOA and AMSTERDAM.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 19th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 20th February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 20th February.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 .[10] and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

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Bongkong, 13th February, 1900.

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Business, at 11.45 A.M., on TUESDAY, WED-

NESDAY and THURSDAY, the 20th, 21st

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA.

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For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,

"For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA,

Hongkong, 13th February, 1900.

. General Agents,

DOUGLAS JONES,

Secretary,

W. H. PERCIVAL,

H. P. WADMAN,

GEO. L. TOMLIN.

Acting Secretary,

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.

·Hongkong, 14th February, 1900.

General Managers,

LIMITED.

CANTON, LD.

For the DEUTSEH-ASIATISCHE BANK,

INSURANCE HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES.

saction of Public Business, at 11.45 A.M., on. TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURS-

OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Tran-

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD

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YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION,

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE Co., LD.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,

MEETING of the Board of Directors

-LIMITED.

of the Company, held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong,

on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1900, the following Resolution was passed:—

That a CALL of One Dollar per Share upon all the holders of Ordinary Shares in the

above Company in respect of all the Shares

held by them in the above Company be

and the same is hereby made. Such Calls

to be paid to the Company at their Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking

CORPORATION, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or

before the 3rd day of March, 1900.

And Notice is also given that in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of

Association, interest will be charged as from the the said 3rd day of March, 1900, at the rate of

\$10 per centum per annum, upon all calls remaining unpaid after the said 3rd day of

March, 1900, up to the actual dates of payment

Shareholders are particularly requested to

note that upon presentation at the office of the Company of the Bankers' receipt for payment of the call together with the certificate of the

Ungkong Fire Insurance Co.,

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-UTINE,

Hongkong Agency,

T. H. WHITEHEAD,

Manager, Hongkong,

. JACKSON,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,

L. BERINDOAGUE,

CHANTREY INCHBALD

Chief Manager.

JOHN THURBURN,

Manager, Hongkong.

Acting Mahager.

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Australia and China,

and 22nd instants, respectively.

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The Latest thing in Mineral Waters that we have DAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd instant. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., happened upon is "AQUARIUS." We have tried it plain, we have tried it with Whisky, and have nothing but good to say of it.'

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1900. [116b]

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1900.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-MENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 17th November, 1899. [12.

paid, an endorsement to that effect will be made upon the certificate. By order of the Board of Directors. W.H. GASKELL

Secretary. Hongkong, 30th January, 1900.

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAL BANK ING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Halfyear ending 31st December, 1899, at the RATE of ONE POUND and TEN SHILLINGS together with a BONUS of TEN SHILLINGS Sterling per Share of \$125 is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the Nineteenth February, current at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for WARRANTS. By order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY, AN NUAL MEETING-of-SHAREHOL. DERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, on MONDAY, the 5th March, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 33rd February to: fil March, both days inclusive. EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY; LIMITED.

FOR MANILE ILDILO AND CEBU. THE Company's Steamship

" KWEIYANG! Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the roth instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW THE Company's Steamship

9 HAITANG Captain Roach, will be despatched for the

above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIN & Co.,

🗔 . Genéral Managers, 🔉 . Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-SHIP, COMPANY, LIMITEDS

FOR MANHA, VIA AMOY THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA: Captain Ramsay, will be despatched for the above Port, on THURSDAY: the 22nd instant. This steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fatted with the Electric Light. For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR -STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PRYMOUTH AND LONDON. (Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and

AMERICAN PORTS.) THE Steamship

Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed vid Bombay with Transhipment. .

Parcels will be received at this Office until . P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's

Bills of Lading. For further Particulars, apply to Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN. THE Company's Steamship " NANCHANG,"

Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 7th March. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 17th February, 1900. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "COROMANDEL, FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Wines. Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo :--From-London, &c., cx-S.S. Britannia. From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. Kilwa, Moshtari and Goa.

From Zanzibar, &c. e. S.S. Canara. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

-Goods not cleared by the 21th instant, at 4. P.M. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be-left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which h no Claims will be recognised.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.

To.day's Advertisements.

THEATRE TOYAL, CITY HALL...

LIONGRONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC WILL GIVE FOUR PERFORMANCES

THE YEOMEN OF THE GUARD. THE MERRYMAN AND HIS MAID.

W. S. GILBERT & ARTHUR SULIVAN, THIS EVENING. SATURDAY,) 17th February. SATURDAY, 24th 1 ... MONDAY, 26th

Commencing each Evening at 9 P.M. precisely Dress Circle and Stalls \$3 Half-price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors, and Police in Uniform.

Tickers can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, CITY HALL, Daily at to

from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. except on Race Days, when it will be Open from 10 A.M. to 12 NOON. Late Trains will run ! hour after the fall of

H. C. NICOLLE, COLLEGE.

TERM BEGINS FRIDAY, the 23rd February.

PPLICATIONS for Admission attended A . by Guardians should be in the COLLEGE the 21st of THURSDAY, the 22nd instants. GEO-H-BATERSON-WRIGHT-D-D-

Head Master. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.

NOTICE.

MEETING of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace will be held at the MAGISTRACY at 2.15 P.M., on WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of the following Applications:-

(i. From one Issues EDWARDS for a Publican's Licence to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situate at house No. 25; Des Voeux Road, under the sign of "The Oriental Hotel."

2.) From one JOSEPH ROBERT GRIMBLE for a Publican's for a Licence to sell and retail intoxicating liquors, on the premises situate at houses Nos. 15 and 16, Jubilee Street, under the sign of "The Jubilee Hotel."

From one MORITZ FREIMANN for permission to remove his Licensed Publican's business from houses Nos. 332 and 334. Queen's Road Central, to houses Nos. 208 and 210, Queen's Road Central, under the sign of "Land We Live In Hotel?

H. H. J. GOMPERTZ, ... Acting Police Magistrate.

Magistracy, Hongkong, 17th February, 19 80 THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACE Kimberley last night. TÜRING CO., LIMITED.

- ORDÍNARY FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS, in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria; on THURSDAY, the 8th March, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1899, and electing a Consulting

Committeeanth Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th February to 8th March, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 17th February, 1900.

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* HACQ 21.00 CHATEAU PONTET CARNET 25.00 CHATEAU LA TOUR CARNET ... 30.00 ; CHATEAU RAUZAN...... 42.00 CHATEAU LAFITTE 48.00

These Chargers are bought direct from the leading French growers. grape, and are not artificially made flank were thirty. consignment will be sorted out mark by mark as is generally the case with cheap

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Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine only when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast

[; A. B. WATSON & CO., LIMITED. a stout heart.

MARRIAGE. On the 18th January, at Bremen, M. GROTE, of Hongkong, to LUCIE KLEVENHUSEN, of

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE WAR.

The telegram so courteously placed at our disposal by Sir Thomas Jackson, which we issued in the form of an extra this morning. is of a most cheering description and will be all the more appreciated on account of the long series of reverses which we have suffered during the course of the war in South Africa. Although the relief of Kimberley and the release of its garrison will not very materially increase our effective force yet it will have a good moral effect and it also opens up a passage for us into the Orange Free State besides being the first step on the road to the relief of Colonel BADEN-Powers, and his plucky garrison shut up in Mafeking. We The BOOKING OFFICE will be OPEN Daily | really believe that we are at last to see a change in the situation and that Lord ROBERTS will sweep forward through the Free State and the Transvaal and so force the Boers at present investing Ladysmith to move to meet him, thus rendering Acting Manager. General Bulliers task less arduous. It large number of men landed in South Africa during the last few weeks we have had no news of large re-inforcements being sent to Natal and this evidently points to the conclusion that Lord Robert's has no intention of dividing his forces any more but will advance in overwhelming force leaving the HALL, at 9 A.M., on either WEDNESDAY. divisions already engaged in Natal and the North of Cape Colony to look after themselves and act on the defensive until such time as the Boer forces confronting them have become sufficiently weakened. by men being drawn to oppose Lord ROBERT'S column, to allow of their advancing. The relief of Kimberley and the presence of a large British force on the eastern border of the Free State must tend to render the Boers. apprehensive of being taken in the rear February, 1900, for the purpose of considering and the further castward Lord ROBERTS moves the more risk will there be of their retreat towards the Transvaal and Orange Free State being cut off. We shall anxiously 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m : -await news of the advance during the next few days for it looks as though we were at last to have the satisfaction of being the invaders instead of the invaded.

ELEGRAMS. KIMBERLEY RELIEVED.

General French Successful. Sir Thomas Jackson courteously informs

that he has received the following tele-LONDON, February 16th.

14,30 p.m. It is officially announced French reached

REUTER'S TELECRAMS.

"REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.

Modder River. London, February 15th. Lord Roberts telegraphs from Dekelsdrift. 14th instant that General French, with three brigades of Cavalry, Artillery and Mounted Infantry, has forced the passage of the Modder River at Klipdrift and occupied the hills to the Northward, capturing three laagers during the operation. In the meantime General Gordon's brigade seized two drifts to the Westward of General French meeting with slight opposition and small losses. The sixth division is now on the North bank of the Riet and moving to the support of the Cavalry. The seventh division is at Dekelsdrift and moves on in the

Mafeking.

Mafeking reported "all well" on the 4th inst. -- The garrison was again on full rations. Col. Plumer was actively operating to the Southward (sic.) but this progress was hampered by the rains.

The Press on the War.

The newspapers are gratified at Lord Roberts' skilful Eastward advance which they consider cuts direct communication between Magersfontein and Bloemfontein.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER GAZETTE SERVICE. THE WAR. Cape Colony. LONDON, February 16th.

A Boer despatch from Colesberg, describ-The lowest priced are of exceptional ing the driving in of the British outposts ralue and guaranteed to be the says that the British lost two maxims and being landed and placed at their risk in the genuine product of the juice of the about 200 men. The Boer losses on one

> An official announcement states that six new horse, and fifteen field batteries, also three new battalions will be formed.

Re-inforcements.

House of Lords.

In the House of Lords, Lord Kimberley said that he shared in Lord Rosebery's views regarding the danger of the situation and referred to the pressing question of the Indian frontier and to the consequences of the eventual death of the Ameer and Russian activity. Lord Salisbury said he declined to discuss Russia's motives and that we should follow the example of our forefathers and not be downcast. He believed the Government's proposals were adequate and that any unforescen emergencies would be met with

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:--

On the 17th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has fallen in the Sea of Japan, and remains almost steady on the China coast. A depression which was lying W, of the Loochoos yesterday, has probably moved N.E. and reached S.W. Japan this morning. Pressure is highest over N. China. Gradients moderate with fresh to strong monsoon on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea. FORELAST: -Fresh N.E. winds

LOGAL AND GENERAL.

OWENG to pressure on our news columns we are forced to hold over our Legal Intelligency until Monday.

PRINCES rumour has it that Sir Frederick Cardew, Governor of Sierra Leone, has been -offered and has accepted the Governorship of ha Straits Settlements: A TIMENDERSTORM was raging over Lantao

Island last night, the lightning dashes being very vivid and the peals of thunder long and lond. Such a phenomenon is not at all usua In a letter to the Rector of a German Polytechnic Academy, the Kaiser says he regards

Socialism as an ephemeral phenomenon which will die out. He counts on technical high schools to settle the social question in Germany. THE English mail Coremandel was quarantined of \$1,438,587 during the half-year. These

landed, however, after the yessel had been

medically inspected and the patient removed to Kennedy town. H.M. FIRST-CLASS cruiser Argonaut, on being relieved by the Amphitrite in the Channel Squadron, will leave for the China Station. Both are new ships of 11,000 tons and 18,000 horse-power, armed with 16 six-inch. guns, besides several smaller guns. The Immortalité

Underented. On Monday afternoon, on the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play H.M.S Pictorious, Rick-off at hall-past four. The Club team will be : -- F. H. Kew, goal; B. C. M. Iolraston and W. H. Howard, backs; S. I. Jenkins, C. T. Kew and T. W. Homby, halves; A. R. Lowe, J. E. Lee, J. F. Noble, H. C. R. Hancock and J. D. Danby, forwards.

THE Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel, this evening, from

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	7	Polka "Clid China"	Si.
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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-ING CORPORATION.

GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

To-day, at moon, the ordinary half yearly meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Hanking Corporation was held in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall. Mr. R. M. Gray occupied the chair and the following gentlemen were present :- Messrs. N. Siebs, E. Goetz, A. Haupt, Hon. Keswick, Messis, D. M. Moses, A Raymond, Pr Sachse, R. Shewan and L. Richardson (Directors), Sir Thomas Jackson (Chief Manager), Messrs. G. Stewart, V. A. Caesar Hawkins, G. de Champraux, A. Coutts, J. C. Petter, R. T. Wright, R. H. Bruce, Lau Wai Chun, P. Jordan, F. Hohnke, C. J Gonsalves, K. A. Chinoi, D. D. Guzdar, S. B. Cox, A. Sharp, E. Ezekiel, C. Palmer, P. A. Barlow, E. S. Joseph, J. Ezekiel, S. H. Michael, R. Michael, W. S. Bamsey, G. H. Potts. Erich Georg, W. H. Gaskell, J. S. Van Buren, W. Gresson, G. Murray Bain, J. M. S. Alves,

W. Lysaught, R. W. Mansfield, Captain Tillett. L. Leireia, F. Noble, G. H. Sexton, etc. Sir, Thomas Jackson read the notice conven-

ing the meeting. The Chairman, after reading the report, said :- Gentleman, it is with much pleasure that the Directors have to wait upon you again with another good report in which they can recommend a dividend of Lit. 10/- per share, place \$500,000 to Reserve; carry forward \$960,843.56 to new Profit and Loss Account while at the same time giving a Bonus of to/ a share. The profits on the Chinese and Japanese Loans, alluded to at the last meeting are included in the present accounts, and have enabled as to place before you a more satisfactory statement than otherwise we would have been able to do. Earnings of all Eastern Banks during the past half-year have been seriously curtailed by the advance in the value of money in England and on the Continent, a contingency which the meagre margins then ruling in Exchange did not make any allowance for. Good will no doubt come out of the experience of the past six months; it is not likely that Banks will again place themselves in such a position that any increase in the home value of money will turn an apparent profit into an actual loss. It is to be hoped that more suitable margins will be maintained in the future than have ruled in the past, and that a Bank of England rate of 6 per cent, and a market rate of 6 7/8 per cent. will not be soon forgotten. We, in common with other Eastern Hanks, have recently gone back to the rate of interest 4 per cent. for twelve months Fixed Deposits in London; the increased value of money and its prospects in the future making such a step necessary in our opinion. It will be noticed that on the 31st December our Sterling Fixed Deposits stood at £4,294,675, against £3,313,626 on the 30th of June, while our Current Accounts in Gold showed decrease of £878,711, same being caused by some of the Chinese Government funds we had in Current Account having been transferred to Fixed Deposit Account, otherwise the figures on the 31st December would have resembled very closely those of the previous half-

year. Fixed Deposits and Current Accounts in silver on the 31st December were \$2,519,394 more than they were on the 30th of June, the increase can only be accounted for by the natural expansion of our business which has recently been going on, aided by the improved, and still improving credit of the Bank. Our note circulation was \$979,979, less on the 31st December than it was at the close of the previous half-year. The process of withdrawing our notes in the Straits in favour of the Government circulation has so far been a slow one. It is evident that Ordinissue any amount of notes we may find necessary against a deposit of coin, will have to be renewed from year to year. Under said Ordinance our note circulation is on a sound and satisfactory footing, both as regards the

Colonial Government, the public, and the Bank

our excess note circulation; however we do applause.) not want any modification of the Ordinance, we consider its provisions prudent and reasonable. An inflated note circulation insufficiently secured would be highly undesirable in the interests of all concerned. Both Bills Payable and Bills Receivable show an increase on last, year's figures, the latter of no less than ports towards the end of the year. The difficiexchange. Happily the expanding trade of the statement of accounts. Country has rendered such nostrums unnecessary. Our holdings of Rupce Paperhave increased slightly, say \$740,547. It is necessary for the Bank to keep a good amount of Rupee Paper in hand in order to facilitate the operations of | Shellim and Mr. Robert H. Hill. our Indian Agencies. Our holdings, if realized now, would show a large profit on what they and other Securities stand at \$3,619,752 against \$2,181,165 in the previous report, an increase taken place, it is not intended to increase our holdings under this heading. Our investments remain exactly as given in the last report, my remarks upon them when I last had the pleasure of addressing you leave me nothing to say on this occasion, except that notwithstanding the severe fall that has of late taken place in the market value of Securities of the highest class, taking exchange at z/- they were worth on the 31st of December £99,556 more than is said to have been selected to relieve the they stand in our books, and on the rath, instant £113,985. It is not our intention to alter these securities in any way. When we formed our Reserve of One Million Sterling we wrote down the stocks representing same to a figure that would leave us independent of any reasonable fluctuations which night subsequently take place. The wisdom of our adopting such a course then has since been fully borne out. The \$500,000 which we now propose to add to the Reserve Fund brings the total up to \$11,500,000. It is proposed on the next occasion to divide this fund by calling the £1,000,000 representing the Reserve Fund in London as Sterling Reserve Fund, and the \$1,500,000, which the accounts will show after this report is passed, with all subsequent additions, Silver Reserve Fund, we will then virtually have our capital of ten millions in dollars; our Sterling Reserve ten millions of dollars (representing nominally one million sterling, but in reality a good deal more) and a Silver Reserve Fund of \$1,500,000, (Applause) Bills Discounted Loans and Credits. There is a reduction of \$4,092,188 under this heading against an increase in Bills Receivable of \$12,634,351. This is evidence of the fact that during the half-year more of our funds were employed in Exchange operations than in

local advances. Bank Premises after the provision on the 30th of June of \$250,000 stood at \$71,610. In the present report they stand at \$219,435.96, the increase represents payment on account of new premises crected at Peking and Rangoon. We are about to erect new Bank premises at Hiogo. Our present office being much too small for our requirements. This is not the place to discuss the effect of the present unhappy war upon the political situation in China. I have already referred to its effect upon exchange banking in creating dear money in Europe. It only remains to add that the work of introducing international capital into Ching for the better development of her great natural resources has been brought almost to a standstill by the same cause. But, notwithstanding the check that progress in China thus receives, the country's tremendous commercial vitality continues to assert itself, and the revenue of the Imperial Maritime Customs will, I venture to predict, show a considerable increase upon former years. The trade of China generally has increased, and, in particular, the trade of North China. Perhaps this is the most striking feature of the period under review. I desire to draw special attention to the great and growing dimensions of trade with the Northern Ports, as, he was palpably offside, so that the point was its full significance is apt to be overlooked. In disallowed: viewing the figures of the China trade it seems to be largely taken for granted that foreign goods shipped to Shanghai are almost all des tined for that vague region popularly designated the "Yangtsze Valley" and the importance of the fact that a very large proportion of the imports thus described in shipping returns are destined for the Northern Ports is not sufficiently

appreciated. Yet it is just this branch of the China Trade—the trade between Shanghaj, Tientsin, Chefoo and Newchwang-that has grown more than any other, of recent years, and latterly it has been specially stimulated by the successful working of the Imperial Railways of North China, the recent extension of which to Newchwang-tapping the great granary of Manchuria-already gives promise of developing a new and most important trade interest. .. The avidity with which the advantages of rapid communication and cheap transport have been seized upon in Chili augurs well for the future of railway enterprise in other provinces, indeed for all genuine progressive enterprise carrying with it undoubted benefits to the people of the country. Progress is slow, but there is progress, and though, as I have just said, it is checked at the moment, we may confidently hope that the position will soon improve, that the elements of prosperity in China will more and more tend to combine. and that a period of commercial expansion on a large scale will set in. From the resulting increase in the volume of trade, this Bank, like. all other institutions whose interests are largely identified with the welfare of China, may hope to reap its full share of benefit. (Hear hear. With regard to the management and our staff generally, the results of last year speak eloquently enough to require little further addition from me. The Directions have thought fit to emphasize their appreciation of the work done, by voting a bonus of ten per cent on the salaries of the staff, in which action they are confident of having your full approval, the match, those that were there being mainly (Applause.) During the summer months our mayal and military men. Chief Manager will take a six months trip to Europe, and his post will be temporarily and nobody can grumble at the game afforded occupied by Mr. H. M. Bevis, who has been them. appointed to act as chief manager in his absence, and who is expected shortly from home. was atways dangerous. It must be a great satisfaction to Sir Thomas | Evans played a capital game in goal and if Jackson as it is to the Directors, and I am it had not been for his sound defence, "G" ance No. 1 of 1899, which gives us power to sure also to the shareholders generally that by Co.'s goal would undoubtedly have been taken. his good management he is able to hand over A Co. played a good game but they for the time being the affairs of the Bank in were outclassed by the factics of the oppose such a strong and sound position. (Applause.) ing forwards, Demery played a good game The past six months have not been by any for his side but he was not backed up enough means plain sailing, and required a prudent and in his endeavours

ing to have to lock up dollar for dollar againt | shall be happy to answer any questions. (Great No questions being asked the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and

Mr. J. H. Cox, in seconding the adoption of the report, which he emphasized as a splendid one, first alluded to the figures, which he said were most satisfactory and would receive the \$12,634,351 a very satisfactory item. Cash in hearty approval of the shareholders. He was hand is less, by \$10,171,484, than it was on the | especially pleased to see that the reserve 30th lune. This is mainly accounted for by fund had been placed at such a figure and the the great scarcity of Silver at the Northern | securities written down so that they would not be materially affected by market fluctuations. ency was in part made good by an increase of They, also heartily approved of the bonus to the \$5,251,088 under the heading of "Bullion in European Staff (cheers), For many years past hand and in Transit." Referring to the recent | they had been noted for their careful and obliscarcity of Silver in the North of China it is I ging character. They would always like to have noteworthy that a similar scarcity of the their illustrious manager with them but they circulating medium has occurred in India, and fully recognised how essential, after his the Government have had to buy Silver ex- arduous duties, a holiday was, and sincerely tensively, for coinage into Rupees. It has not hoped that Sir Thomas and Ludy, Jackson recently been a question in India of how to would enjoy themselves and be greatly benefitaccumulate a Gold reserve, but how to supply cloby the trip. He was personally acquainted sufficiency of Silver coins for the require- with Mr. Bevis, in whom he had every conments of the inhabitants of that great Depend, fidence, and knew that during Sir Thomas' ency. The day has gone by for discussing the absence the affairs of the bank would be well desirability of melting down Rupées and thus, by looked after. He therefore had much pleasure creating a scarcity of currency, bolstering up in seconding the adoption of the report and

Messrs. D. M. Moses and R. L. Richardson were appointed to fill the vacancies among the directors caused by the resignations of Mr. E.

Messrs. A. Haupt, A. McConachie and P. Sachse were re-elected as Directors, and Mr. stand at in our books. (Applause). Colonial F. Henderson and Mr. C. S. Sharp as auditors. Mr. Wheeler proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Directors, Manager and Staff, saying that there was no need for any remarks, as Mr. on arrival this morning owing to one of the Securities were written down on the 31st Cox had taken the wind out of his sails. a significant fact that despite the Asiatic crew having contracted small-pox on December to the low values ruling on that date, There had been great difficulties to be overthe voyage. The passengers and mails were | since when a considerable improvement has | come, as shown by the report, in spite of which the report was as satisfactory as the others that have made the reports of this bank famous. (Applause).

The Chairman thanked the members for their vote of thanks, and said the dividend warrants would be ready on Monday. The proceedings then terminated.

FOOTBALL.

REGIMENTAL SHIELD FINAL. "A " CO. v. "G" CO., R.W.F.

These teams met in the Happy Valley on Saturday last to decide the final for the Regimental Challenge Shield. A great deal of interest was centered in the

on a former occasion "A" Co. had wrested the championship from "G." Both teams were well represented and formed up as under :-

game as both tenms were fairly matched, and

Rhodes Davies. (Halves.)

Stone. Ilumphreys. J. Jones. Forwards.)

S. Jones, F. Jones, Deagon, Philips, Demery, Iones, Pugh. Baulton. Cheatle: Williams. ·(Forwards).

Pounall. Davies. Lewis. (Flalves), Murray.

"G " Company Referee, Lt. Greene, R.A. "A" Company won the loss and chose to

defend the bottom goal. Baulton took the kick and at once made for the opponents "territory, but was robbed by Davies, who passed the leather up to Demery. That individual secured and got well down the left wing, but Pounall was alert, and took the ball off his too when just getting dangerous. Play cooled down considerably, and was for sometime in midfield neither side holding much advantage. Williams, however, at last broke through, and had the goal completely at his mercy, but his shot was badly judged and the

ball sailed harmlessly over the bar. .From the goal kick, Demery secured, but was stopped by Davies, who handed the ball over to Boulton. The latter worked his forwards well up the field by a bit of good passing. Jones secured and made a good attempt to score but Rhodes was on the qui-vive and saved

From the kick out, Store captured the sphere and passed to Demery, the latter putting in a fine shot, which lones headed into the ner but

From the free kick which resulted, "G" company had a look in. Williams secured and took the ball along in fine style, centering to Cheatle from off the line. The latter caught the leather at once and banged into the net completely surprising Rhodes, thus starting the score in fayour of "G" Co. 25 minutes from the commencement.

Nothing occurred after this till the whistle brought the game to a standstill, the score then "G" Co. 1 goal, "A" Co. Nil.

On restarting, "A" Company seemed to realize their position and tried repeatedly to make the score even, but "G." Co. were not to be caught napping and the defence proved impregnable. Williams got the ball from Murray and did some fine individual work on the right wing, but Khodes was playing the game in goal and saved his charge again, and again. Davies relieved the pressure for his side and the forwards got away allogether. Long passing was the order of the day, and several times Demery tested Evan's capabilities in goal. After this Jones had a try at goal, but Evanswas alert and saved brilliantly by throwing

himself along the ground. Murray got the ball, but being hard pressed. handed it over to his partner, Jasper. The latter secured and gave the leather to Cheatle. who at once got away, and looked very dangerous. Davies tackled him, however, but Cheatle loosed the ball in time, and gave, it to lones. That individual however missed a rare chance. and the ball rolled outside. Hard play followed in midfield but neither team managed to score and the whistle brought the game to a

close with the score :---"G" Co., R.W.F. I goal. "A" in the state of the Nile COMMENTS.

There were not many spectators present at Play was of a fast nature taking it throughout,

Cheatle played a good game for "G" and

experienced hand at the helm. Before moving, Major Morris presented the shield to the itself. It may seem an unprofitable undertak- the adoption of the Report and Accounts 1 winners, at the expiration of the game, owing to the indisposition of Col. the Hon. R. H.

Bortie. This is the second time in 4 years that "G" Coy, have had the shield in their possession, and if they go on at this rate we should not be at all surprised to see them come home with

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY ON MR. WHITEHEAD'S PROTEST.

The following is the memorandum by Mr. H. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary, on the protest against Ordinance No. 40 of 1899,

-- laid on the table at the last Council meeting :--. In considering the reasons for introducing and passing this Ordinance, it should be remembered that the New Territory was taken over on the 17th April last, on, which date the British flag was hoisted under the circumstances detailed in the correspondence already published. The population of the territory is estimated at about, 100,000, being composed of people who for conturies have been acquainted with Chinese rule only. It is a matter of common knowledge that the Chinese are as a race suspicious and have a dread of their own officials. The reasons for that dreadare well known, and may be aptly illustrated by the following experience of one of the inhabitants of the New Territory, which occurred when he was subject to Chinese jurisdiction. An attack was made. upon his house by a large armed gang of robbers He shot three and succeeded in beating the others off. The robbers complained to the Magistrate, who summoned the person attacked to attend, but made him pay. \$150 before he would see him. After hearing the case the Magistrate ordered the sofferer to pay the funeral expenses of those shot, the other asshilants being allowed to go scot free. It is not surprising, therefore, that the inhabitants of the New Territory, who have hitherto been 'accide tomed to such justice, should be disjudined beappear before those in authority. Since the taking over of the New Territory every effort has been made to overcome this disinclination, but it is difficult to overcome at once the habit of centuries, and it is not therefore, unnatural

that there should have been refusals, on the part of the inhabitants, to attend before the British Officials, who they fear may accord to them the treatment which they have been accustomed to receive. Every effort has been unde to remove these suspicions. Thousands of notices and leaflets have been published and circulated throughout every village in the territory, and British Officers have regularly visited each district and sub district and endeavoured to dispel groundless suspicions and fears by explaining fully the policy of the Government and the objects of the various measures that have been introduced from time to time. The Governor has also met all the elders of the subdistricts and clearly declared the intentions of Government, as may be seen from His Excellency's speech, a copy of which is attached. Two thousand Chinese versions of this speech were printed and distributed throughout the territory. The steps already taken have helped to partially dispel the doubts existing in the minds of the people, but the deep-rooted suspicion of ages and the prejudices existing against a foreign rule cannot be entirely eradicated at once. The result is that, though many may feel inclined to appear before an official when requested to do so, they are deterred from following their own inclination either because they do not wish to seem to run counter to popular feeling or are afraid, in view of their experiences under Chinese rule, that instead of receiving any benefit they will be sufferers. Invitations have frequently been sent to Chinese either to meet officials in their own villages or to attend at Taipo, the headquarters of Government in the New Territory, in order to receive explanations regarding the registration of land, the objects of the survey of the New Territory, the preservation of trees, and other matters regarding which ignorance was creating unrest in the minds of the people. explained to them, they acknowledged that they

had they done so with alacrity, their action ! would have been misjudged by the people. 2. The object of the Ordinance is to secure hand, full explanations of Government meaother hand, the Government may learn from the people what their views may be regarding | elucidation. any proposed measure and what objections they may have to urge when matters do not appear herto the attendance of the people has been invited chiefly in connection with the registragreat importance to the people and has proved | habitants is necessary from time to time. to be one full-of intricacies and difficulties. been to extract from them information regarding their titles, but to explain to them the law dealing with land, regarding which much misapprehension exists. That such explanations have proved of great value is shown from the fact that when the work of registration of land commenced, very few claims were lodged notwithstanding the issue of many notices and ·leaflets, but that after the attendance of landholders was sucused and their counts bemoved claims came in more rapidly and have now reached a total 25,540. From what I have stated above, I think it will be recognised that the powers conferred by the Ordinance are both desirable and necessary, at any rate for the present: I am inclined to believe that, when Chinese inhabitants of the New-Perritory know that the power to compel them to attend exists. they will not show themselves so disinclined as heretofore to appear when invited and that it will be seldom, if ever, necessary to enforce the 3. Having dealt with the general question, 1:

now proceed to deal with the details of the pro--test, which are in many respects erroncous and

4. Paragraph I .- Mr. Whitehead states that had he been present when the Bill was befere the Legislative Council, he would have voted against it, though he probably would have been over-ruled. I presume he means out-voted. He is, I think, correct in his surmise, as the Ordinance was passed unanimously. I aftach. a copy of the proceedings in the Legislative Council

It is true that the Honourable Ho Kai, supported by the Honourable Wei A Yuk, suggested that the Ordinance should only continue in operation for a period of two years. The suggestion was at once adopted by Government and clause 5 of the Ordinance read us follows:

"This Ordinance shall only continue in operation for a period of two years from the coming interoperation of this Ordinance, and for such further period or periods as may from time to time be determined by resolution of the Legislative Council." As I have already indicated, I trust, at the expiry of two years, the inhabitants of the New.

Territory may have become so accustomed to i use of the remarks by Dr. Ho Kai. On page British rule that it may not be necessary to continue the Ordinance for any further period.

5. Paragraph 2 .- Mr. Whitehead encloses copies of his notes to the Governor dated 28th and 29th December regarding the Ordinance, the H.K. challenge shield. At any rate the and in the latter states that he intends to ask Engineers will have all their work cut out to the Chinese Members of Council to join in his protest against the Ordinance. As the protest is not signed by the Chinese Members and as no reference is made in it to them, it may be presumed that Mr. Whitehead has not been able to induce them to join him.

6. Paragraphs 3 & S .- These paragraphs give a precis of the Ordinance and call for no remark, except that it should be pointed out that the Government has no intention of using' this Ordinance for purposes of criminal enquiry. All criminal offences in the New Territory are dealt with in exactly the same way as in Hongkong proper.

7. Paragraph 9 .- I have already dealt with the general statements contained, in this paragraph, but there are one or two points to which I wish to call particular attention.

8. Mr. Whitehead states that "the Govern-"ment when inviting these poor people (and "they are mostly all of the very poorest of the "agricultural class) to come into Hongkong "has never offered to pay either the cost of "their passage to and fro, nor the expenses of "their detention in Hongkong, nor any compensation for any loss of their time. Many of these men would have a journey of ten or "fifteen or twenty, or even more, miles over "hills or by sea. It would appear that they "have only refused to come into Hongkong to "have the situation explained to them, and "that, I submit, may be" due to the expense "entailed in travelling to Hongkong."

9 Unfortunately for Mr. Whitehead's arguments his statements are not correct and his

acts are wrong. 10. In each case in which the inhabitants of the New Territory have come to Hongkong to receive explanations of Government measures, conveyance has been provided for them by Covernment and steps have been taken to make their stay in Hongkong a pleasant one. As a matter of fact there have been only two occasions on which the inhabitants of the New Territory have been brought into Hougkong. On both occasions these parties had been invited in the first instance, to appear at Taipo, but did not attend, although on one occassion the Registrar General had proceeded from

Hongkong to Taipo to meet them. The result of the interviews in Hongkong on both occasions proved most satisfactory, and the parties expressed their thanks for the reception accorded to them. I may mention that many of the Committee-men have come to Hongkong or Taips of their own accord and have frequently been afforded conveyance by the Gov-

11. Mr. Whitehead seems to think that any -person summoned to attend will have to appear before the Registrar General in Mongkong. have already referred to the Covernor having met the Committee-men at Taipo and Pingshan; to the Registrar General having proceeded to Taipo to meet certain of the inhabitatuts, and to other 'officials having visited every village. There is no intention on the part of the Government to inflict unnecessary hardships on the inhabitants of the New Territory, as Mr. Whitehead suggests, The object of the Government is to benefit the people, not to injure them. That being the case, it does not propose to make the inhabitants come to Hongkong unless compelled to do so, and if it is necessary to compel their attendance in Hongkong, arrangements will be made in the future, as in the past, to provide them with conveyance and to see they are properly looked after.

12. Mr. Whitehead states :---"It has not been made clear that the "Government has done everything that "was reasonably possible to do to enlighten "the men by proclamation posted in their "respective villages or by the publication "or distribution of leaflets."

It would be interesting to know what steps These invitations have been either partially or | Mr. Whitehead took to enlighten himself on | entirely disregarded. When, however, steps | this subject before he committed himself to this ere taken to secure the attendance of those to statement. Everything possible has been done whom invitations were issued and matters were I in the way of proclamation and leatiets to inform the people of the intentions of the Covernment. Thousands of notices on a variety of subjects had behaved foolishly in not having complied have been posted in each village, and as I have with the invitation in the first instance and aiready stated, two thousand copies of the expressed their thanks for the information given Chinese translation of the speech of the Gothem, which they declared would calm the fears vernor to the Committee-men were distributed. of the people. They also confessed that they had not responded to the invitation, because, A Chinese translation of the Ordinance creating the Ordinance from time to time by resolu-Committees was kindly prepared under the supervision of the Honerable Ho Kai and two thousand copies distributed. In addition to the the attendance of the people so that, on the one | publication of notices and distribution of leatlets, | officials have visited each village in the territory sures may be given to them, and so that, on the i in person and explained orally to the villagers such points as were thought to require further

13. Paragraph to.-I have alread explained what the main object of the Ordinance is, so it to be working smoothly. It is true that hit- is unnecessary for me to again point out that, though the land question is the most important, there are other matters almost equally importtion of land, because that question is one of ant regarding which the attendance of the in-

14. Paragraph 11.-As regards this para-The object in inviting their attendance has not graph, I would point out that any enquiry un- for his loss of time. As I have previously der the Ordinance can only be held by direction of the Governor. As to the confidence reposed in the Governor by the Chinese, I may quote the Honourable Ho Kai, who, speaking on the Po Leung Kuk Incorporation Ordinance in Legislative Council on the 2nd June, 1893, stated as follows :--

> "Majesty the Queen, it is only fair to sup-"pose that they would always desire to "submit the final decision of their differ-"ences to the Governor alone."

am certain that the Chinese, whether in Hongkong or in the New Territory, will be

ng the department of the Registrar General, be necessary.

93 of Hansard 1893 Dr. Ho Kni protests against such use in the following words :-

"The Honourable Member of Chamber

"of Commerce [i.e., Mr. Whitehead] quoted "one of my speeches on the subject in "which I spoke against the advisability of "the Registrar General getting people, "Chinese gentlemen, individually, into his "office and asking them their opinions on "certain subjects. The quotation is a very "long one. I do not propose to read it, "but it is found in the report [i.e., on the "Po Leung Kuk] on page 13. Upon "that the Honourable Member seemed "to think that the Registrar General "should not consult the Chinese, but that "he should be outside and above them. -"He misunderstood me and took-just-the-"opposite view to that which I wished to "convey in that speech, I meant to say "that the Registrar General should not ask " Chinese singly and individually to come "to his office, but I never intended that the "Registrar General should not have the "Chinese assembled in his office and "discuss matters openly. That has been "done, though not in his Committee [i.e., the "" Committee of the Po Leung Ruk | because "we have not yet appointed a .Committee "and I do not know whether in former "times it has been done, but I do know, "since I have been a member of the " District Watchmen Committee, that we a discuss and decide by the vote of the " majority, and I venture to believe that, "though sometimes the Registrar General " has been in the minority, be thinks that "his dignity has not been affected and that "it was not derogatory to his high position "to be out-voted."

17. The remarks of Dr. Ho Kai, as Mr. wished to place the Registrar General over and | has been rumoured. above the Committee of the Society for the Protection of women and children, or, in the words of Dr. Ho Kai, "to place them under the thumb of the Registrar General." Both the Registrar General and Dr. Ho Kai successfully opposed Mr. Whitehead on the occasion in question, and objected to the Chinese being placed in such a position.

18. The following extracts from Hansard pp. 60-03, 1803, are interesting in view of Mr. Whitehead's present attitude.

" Honourable T. H. Whitehead :-- I say "the Registrar General bas exercised "wise control which has been very desirab ble and which bas also been very effective " and I think it would be a great pity if that control should be given up, and disap-

"The Registrar General - I say again. " that the Registrar General does not want " to be placed in the position of the dictator "of the Chinese and it is no use for the 6 Honomable Member who represents the "Chamber of Commerce to fence with " words. That is undoubtedly the position "he wishes to place the Registrar General

"Honourable T. H. Whitehead: -They " have said themselves that their object "to put the Registrar General under their "thumbain fact, to control the Registrar " General.'

. "Honourable Ho. Kai: -I think that "our leading Chinese would "perfer to "be placed continually under an intelligent "official rule rather than be placed under "the unreasonable and illiberal treatment " of an unofficial regime."

19. Paragraph 12. Mr. Whitehead states that thee Registrar General's Department was extrusted with power somewhat similar to those in the present Ordinance in connection with brothels, and so abused those powers that after enquiry they were taken away by Ordinance 2 of 1876.

This statement is quite misleading. So far Department having been currailed they have been considerably increased since 1876. Indeed, the Ordinance for the Protection of Women and Children conferred greater powers on the Registrar General than he had ever possessed

Mr. Whitehead must surely remember that, in view of the great and unusual powers conferred on the Registrar, General by that Ordinance, it was considered necessarry, to renew tion of the Legislative Council, because he was a member of Council when such resolutions were brought before Courcil and passed. After that Ordinance had been in force for some time, experience showed that it had been worked successfully and that the great powers which it conferred were not abused. As a result, the Ordinance was Placed permanently on the Statute Book, and Mr. Whitehead was amongst those members of Council who gave their vote in favour of this course.

20. Paragraph 14 - Mr. Whitehead points out that there is no provision in the Ordinance for payment to the person summoned of his expenses in coming to Hongkong, of his stay in Hongkong, of his return; no compensation pointed out, on the two occasions on which inhabitants of the New Territory were brought to Hongkong, they were provided with conveyance and well looked after. This paragraph seems to infer that in every case in which a person's attendance is desired, he will be brought to Hongkong. There is no such in-(Hansard, page 93.) "We have in this tention. Attendance in Hongkong will be the "Colony a Governor and we always look exception and not the rule, as has hitherto "upon him as the representative of Her been the case, and if persons are brought to "Majesty the Queen, and as Chinese sub- Hongkong, conveyance as heretofore will be "jects here, and also as subjects of Her provided and they will be properly cared form . 21. Mr. Whitehead goes on to say :--

"Surely, if the Government has any ! legitimate enquiries to make it should hearry out these enquiries on the spot, in

"the village to which they refer." I have already pointed out that officers quite satisfied of the necessity and justice of regularly visit the various villages, and it any enquiry the Governor may direct to be stands to reason that if the enquiries made and explanations' given locally are satis-15. As to Mr. Whitehead's remarks regard- factory, no further attendance of persons will

they are not surprising as coming from one 22. Paragrafile 15.—There is only one point who stated in Council in 1803:-"I would in this paragraph to which I desire to allude sweep away if I could the Registrar General's | and that is the reference to what Mr. Whitehead | Department." It is not to be wondered at that | calls the "alleged land jobbery in the Colony's | he regards it as the least qualified of any de- New Territories." It is true that there were partment to exercise the powers conferred by many rumours on that subject after the the Ordinance and as incapable of impartiality. New Territory had been taken over and a But when he deals with a department, which suggestion was made that a Commission of the considers should be swept away, one would Enquiry should be appointed. I pointed out expect accuracy in the statement of facts on the 3rd May last (see Blue Book despatches regarding it. It is not the case that junior and other Papers relating to the lixtension of members of the Civil Service have frequently Hongkong. Sessional Paper No. 32/1899, p. acted as Registrar General. The present 52) that it would be best, in the first instance, holder of the post has 20 years' service, and for the Land Officer in the New Territory to then briefly addressed the men in suitable and those who have acted for him have invariably investigate the matter as he could call upon the been officers of standing, who have been landholders in each district to forward to him specially qualified for the post any complaints they might have to make which officers, not included in the guard of honour, 16. In paragraph II Mr. Whitehead states could be enquired into on the spot, and that, if and the civil population were waiting to receive S. T. N. Y. L. steamer Oucen Eleanor, leaves that the Registrar General "may be and almost after the investigation, a Commission was con- him. A very great many of the mombers of necessarily must be in the hands of the Chinese | sidered desirable it could be appointed. The in his department," and in paragraph 13 tries to, Governor concurred in my proposal. On the town now were present at the pier. There show, by quoting Dr. Ho Kai, that the Chinese 12th July the Governor issued a Chinese progenerally are entirely at the mercy of the Re- clamation regarding land, which was posted the Hons. E. M. Merewether, C. Stringer, gistrar Ceneral. That is, the Registrar General throughout the villages in the New Territory. is at one time the slave and at another the I attach an English version of the Proclamamaster of the Chinese. This is not the first | tion and beg to draw attention to the last paraoccasion on which Mr. Whitehead has made graph, which is to the following effect:-

"of his land or been fraudulently induced "to sell land at a low price he may present "a petition to the District Officer if be lives "North of the Kowloon Ranges of Hills, " or if he lives South of it to the Registrar "General or his Visiting Officer, to be "forwarded to the Squatters Board for

" enquiry, On the and and 4th August last, the Governor was met by the Committees of the sub-districts at Thipd and Ping Shan, when he concluded his speech on both occasions in the following the non-English community may be said (About) P. & O. steamer Canton, leaves for

"subject of land. It has been reported to " me that as soon as the Convention between "the Emperor of China and the Queen of "were induced to sell their lands at a low "value by being told that the British "land without payment when they came "into the Territory. I take this oppor-"tunity of stelling you, the Elders and "Gentry of all the Villages, that if any " man has been induced to sell his land by "these false misrepresentations and he is "not satisfied he can give notice to the "Land Officer who will not register the title " until the real question at issue has been "looked into and decided. I have men-"tioned all this before by proclamation, "but I wish to emphasize it more strongly " now that I 'see the Gentry and Elders " before me, as I am determined that if any " man has been improperly induced to give "his land away under its value, I will not "accept the sale as valid."

It will be thus seen that the Government has spaced neither pains nor time in trying to discover whether land has been obtained by false Whitchead states, are not wholly pertinent to misrepresentations. Up to the present time the present subject, but used as they have been, | 25,540 claims to land have been registered and entirely apart from their context, they are quite | not a single complaint has, as yet, been received misleading. Asa matter of fact, Mr. Whitehead of any person having bought or sold land as

> I. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. 15th fanuary, 1900.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

HONGKONG, Friday, February 16th.

Messis. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly share report, state: --

The market has been fairly firm throughout the week and rates for most stucks are steady. | pore. The China-Borneo Company, Limited, has advertised its First Annual Meeting for the 28th February. The transfer books close from the 14th to 28th instant, both days inclusive. Banks, "Hongkong and Shanghai Banks continue quiet with sales and sellers at 333 per cent, premium. The London quotation is Loo. Nationals are offering at \$26. The net profit for the last year amounts to \$103,236.27 from which the Directors propose to place \$21,102.83 to Capital Reserve Fund, pay a dividend of \$1.36 per share, transfer \$17.533.35 to Reserve Fund and carry forward \$9.584.01. Marine Insurance .-- Yangtszes are firm with buyers at \$1173. Cantons have been fixed at \$130. Fire Insurance .- Hongkong Fires have been taken off the market at \$335, \$340, \$345 and \$350 closing with further buyers. The report shows a profit of \$244,411.96 for 1898, from which it is proposed to pay a dividend of \$27 per share and transfer \$24,411.19 to Reserve Fund., China Fires are steady at \$851. It is recommended to pay a dividend of \$6, per share. Shipping .- Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been seld at \$291. Indo Chinas are easier with sellers at \$87. China and Manilas have been bought at \$95. \$97 and \$100. Douglas Steamships are steady at \$50. Refineries. -- China Sugars have come into strong request at \$130 and \$131. Mining. -- Punjoins are firmer and have buyers at \$53 Raubs have been fixed at \$63. Olivers "B" have changed hands at \$41. Docks, Wharves and Godowns. -- Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have guled quiet and are in the market from the powers of the Registrar General's at 550 per cent. premium. Kowloon Wharf at \$84 and \$85. Lands, Hotels and Buildings. - Hongkong Lands havebeen in steady request [1861 Duchess of Albany born. rates up to \$122a. West Points are enquired for at \$41. Hongkong Hotels are steady at \$126. 1880 - Attempted assassination of the Czar. Humphreys' Estate have been negotiated at \$97 | 1897 - Capture of Benin:

and \$93. China Providents have been booked at \$9.25 and \$9.35. Qigar Companies. - Alham. lars are wanted at 110 per cent, premium. Cotton Mills. --- We have heard of no local business in stocks under this heading. Miscellaneous-Green Island Cements have been sold at \$28 and \$281. China Borneos, have been done at \$16. A. S. Watsons have advanced 10 \$17 sales and sellers. Electrics have been taken off the market at \$114 and \$114. Ropes have boomed to \$325 sales. Fenwicks have changed hands at \$49 and \$50. Hongkong Ices are firm at \$167.

GENERAL DICKSON'S DEPAR-TURE FROM SINGAPORE.

SINGAPORE, February 9th.

was a great gathering to say fare-well to Major-General Dickson, who has been the General i Officer Commanding in the Straits for some time, and who is now appointed to command the Fourth Cavalry Brigade ordered to South Africa. Mrs. Dickson left Singapore with the | 9 p.m. -A. D. C. Yeoman of the Guard at City General, her purpose being to accompany him as far as Ceylon, or to some other suitable point of divergence, such as Mauritius on the one side of Africa, or Port Said on the other. It was also taking from Singapore, temporarily many well-known persons, such as the Roman Catholic Cathodral :-- Mass at 6 a.m., Colonial Engineer, Mr. Murray, and the Misses Murray, on a holiday trip to Tasmania and New to Penang. But substantiatly the gathering was to say farewell to the General. To the troops there was issued yesterday by

command the following farewell order :-is proceeding to South Africa. In bidding farewell to the troops under his command he St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point :- Mass, begs to tender them his best wishes for their staff who have worked so cordially with him,

p'easant one." This morning, the steamer was to leave and did leave at 8 o'clock, and from an early hour a full guard of honour, of the "King's Own" Regiment, 300, 3.15 and 3.30 p.m.-Auction sale of Crown with the band, was drawn up on the Price O. wharf. The General arrived about 6.30 and was received with a salute, the band playing. He 4.30 p.in.-Football H. K. F. C. v. H.M.S. soldierlike terms, and, later, continued his way

the British population who happen to be in the Shire Line steamer Denbighshire, leaves were the Deputy Governor (Mr. Collyer), and the Editor of the Straits Times brought

"If any one has been forcibly deprived I their bicycles. Among other, individual mem-Mrs. and Miss Salzmann, Lady Cox and the Misses Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Fritell, Mr. and Mrs. Trotter, Dr. and Mrs. Presbyverian Church, and Messrs. Cuthbertson, Moulsdale, Wise, Bland, Bullen, Lloyd, Pickering Saunders, Greig, and indeed dozensofothers whom it is not possible to name, not for lack of respect but, for lack of memory. Ungka Khalid may be said to have represented Johore, while to have been represented by Mr. and Madame "I wish to add a few more words on the | de Brandt, and Mr. and Mrs. Romenji. Nearly

all the officers of the garrison were, of course, present, and so were the officers of the S.V.A. Promptly at 8 o'clock the ropes were cast off "Great Britain was signed, certain people | and with the music of the band, and amidst the cheering of the people, the great ship passed. out to the tideway. She takes with her the "Government would take possession of the | best wishes of this city for the man who is to learnthe Fourth Cavalry Brigade; and on Sunday the name of Dickson will be foremost in the thoughts of those who kneel before the Altar of God to pray for the British army in South Africa .- Straits Times,

SUSPECTED INTENTION TO MURDER LORD ROBERTS.

The journey of Field Marshal Lord Roberts on the Dunottar Castle to Gibraltar, at which place the vessel touched for the purpose of taking on board Lord Kitchener, was marked by a singular incident. Every care was taken on board the steamer to ensure the safety of the new commander-in-chief of the South African forces, sentries being constantly placed at the door of his cabin: The movements of a man in the vicinity of Lord Roberts's cabin excited the suspicions of the sentry. He reported the circumstance to the officer on duty, and the | 20th inst. man was at once placed under arrest. On being searched, a revolver was found in his possession, and on the arrival of the Dunettar Castle at Gibraltar he was put on shore.

SHIPPING REPORTS. -

Captain Batt, of the steamship Pyrrhus, from Amoy, reports to Fresh N.E. breeze and overcast throughout.

-Captain-Y-5-5-ing-of-the-steamship-Denbigteshire, from London, reports : Very strong wind first and latter part of voyage from Singa-

NOTANDA CALENDAR. Meteorological means based on lifteen years obstractions to 1898. Barometer30.141 Humidity79.0 Rainfall 1.76 TO-DAY WEATHER REPORTS Barometer. 30.17

Rainfall o.or Saturday, 17th February, 1900. Chinese-18th of 1st moon of 26th year of ' Kroang su. 2 Sun --- Rises 2..... 6hr. 32min. Sets 5hr. 56min. High water-Morning tohr. 57min. Afternaon Johr. 37min. Low water-Morning 4hr. 37 min.

Temperature

ANNIVERSARIES. 1564 - Michael Angelo died 1843 - Defeat of the Scinde Chiefs at Mecanes by Sir Charles Napier.

Afternoon 4hr. 22min.

chares have been done to a considerable extent 1848- New Colours presented to the 95th Regiment at Hongkong.

and have been dealt in rather extensively at 1865. Charleston and Wilmington occupied by the Federals.

> TO-MORROW. Sunday, 18th February, 1900. Chinese-toth of 1st moon of 20th year of Karang-sit. Sun - Rises 6hr. 32min. Set 5hr. 57min. High water -- Morning ribr. 15min. Afternoon rihr. Jmin. Low water - Morning 5hr. 3min. Afternoon 5hr. imin.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1546 - Martin Luther died. 1855. The crew of the Argyll released by the Chinese authorities. 1841 -- A boat of the Nemeris fired upon a

Wangtong Island. 1883. The U.S.S. Ashuelot wrecked on East Lammock

This morning, at the P. and O. wharf, there 1884--Telegraphic communication between Haiphong and Saigon established.

AGENDA.

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TO-MORROW.

CHURCH SERVICES. may be added that the P.and O. steamer Valetta | St. John's Cathedral: - Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m. 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction,

Zealand; and the Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice | Union Church :- Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Hyndman-Jones, and Mrs. Hyndman-Jones, German Bethesda Chapel, West Point :-Morning Service, 11 a.m. St. Francis' Church, Wanchai :- Mass (Chin.),

6 a.m., (Part.); 7.30 a.m. Benediction, "Major-General J. B. Dickson, C. B., St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road:--Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.

future happiness and welfare. He thanks all Wesloyan Mothodist Church :-- Services, 10.30

6.30 p.m. his command has been rendered an easy and (About) N. L. H. A. steamer Habelsberg, leaves for Havre and Hamburg.

> MONDAY, 19th. lands, at Mon-kok-tsui, Barker Road and Yau-ma-ti, at P.W.D. offices .-

Victorious. H.K.Y.C. ORDERS. to the portion of the pier where the military 5.30 p.m.- 'E' Co, Launch leaves S. M. Pier for Stonecutters, E.L. run.

TUESDAY, 20th. Burkinshaw, J.M. Allinson, and G. S. Daylight E. & A. steamer Guthric, leaves for Australia ports. with him, his wife. The Municipal President Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer Stentor for Singapore-Messrs, Lo Ju Sai, Yan Wai In London.

HONGKONG RACES. bers of the community whom we noted were: Noon-Indo-China Kumsang leaves for Calcutta.

WEDNESDAY, 21st. Fowlie, Mr. and Mrs. Craig, the Minister of the (About) C. & O. steamer Belgian King, leaves for San Diego and San Francisco. Imperial German mail steamer . Oldenburgh, leaves, with mails, for Europe. HONGKONG RACES.

THURSDAY, 22nd.

HONGKONG RACES. H.K.V.C. ORDERS. 3 p.m. 'E' Co. E. L. run at Lyemun, Launch leaves S. M. Pier.

FRIDAY-231d Noon-T. K. K. steamer Hongkong Maru, leaves for San Francisco.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

German (Oldenburg) 20th inst. American (Algon) 20th inst. -German (Stuttgart) 22nd inst. Canadian (Empress of Japan) 23rd inst. American (China) 23rd inst. American (Dorie) 1st prox. American (Nippon Maril) 9th prox.

The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer Tacoma, has urived at Yokohama and sailed for Tacoma,

The N. Y. K. steamer Kasuga Maru. Australian Line left Nagasaki for this port yesterday and is expected to arrive here on the

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. Empress of India, arrived at Shanghai at 2 a.m. Saturday, the 17th inst., and leaves at 11 p.m. for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrived at 8 a.m. Monday, the

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. Empress of Japan, arrived at Yokohama at 9.30 a.m. yesterday, Friday the 16th February, and left again at. 3 p.m., same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 2 p.m. on Saturday, the 17th February.

HONGRONG AND WHAMPON DOCK RETURNS Isla de Cuba at Kowloon / Dock. Prosper Hongkong Kaifong n C.S.S. Monadnock ... " U.S.S. Relief , T.S.S. Wheeling Chuen Tiao Tyr Hongkong..... D. Juan d'Austria ... " Cosmopolitan Hankow Dabline Victoria Aberdeen Menmuir w

'Arrivels.

Pyrrius, British steamer, 2,281, H. E. Batt, 16th Feb., -Amoy 15th Feb., General -Butterfield & Swire. LOYAL, German steamer, 1,237, Lorenzen, 16th

Feb., - Moji toth Feb., Coal. - Sander, Wieler & Co., "Flermes, Norwegian steamer, 849, J. C. Jensen, 16th Feb., - Saigon 11th Feb., Rice .-

Jardine, Matheson & Co. PASSANG, British Steamer, 977, Albert Smith, 16th Feb., - Bangkok 9th Feb., General. -lardine, Matheson & Co.

BORMIDA, Italian steamer, 1,499, G. Sartorio, 17th Feb., ... Singapore 9th Feb., General. - Carlowitz & Co. NANYANG, German steamer, 983, Th. Lehmann,

17th Feb.,-Saigon 12th Feb., Rice.-Siemssen & Co. genmesterer, British steamer, 2,448, H. N. Vyvyan, 17th Feb.,--London 20th Dec.,

and Singapore 10th Feb., General. Shewan, Tomes & Co. MEEFOO, Chinese steamer, 1,339, Frigast, 17th Feb ,-Canton 17th Feb., General.-C. M.

S. N. Co. COROMANDEL, British steamer, 2,783, F. W. Vibert, R.N.R., 17th Feb., -Bombay and-Singapore (2th Feb., Mails and General, + ...P. & O. S. N. Co.

Windsand, British steamer, 1,517, T. H. Sellar, 17th Feb., -- Shanghai and Swatow 16th l'eb., General. - Jardine, Matheson & Co. APENRADE, German steamer, 661, A. Bendixen, 17th Feb.,-Saigon 12th Feb., Rice.-Jebsen & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office. Phranang, British str., for Bangkok. Maidsugu Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow. Loong moon, German str., for Shanghai. Thales, British str., for Swatow. Ancona, British str., for Kobe.

Pak Konga British str., for Canton. Choysang, British str.; for Swatow. Diamante, British str., for Manila. Kwai Lum, British steam-launch, for Macao. Hating, French str., for Hoihow. Hanni, French str., for Hoihow. Ochack, British str., for Shanghai. Pyrrhus, British str., for Singapore. Wuchow, British str., for Wuchow.

Departures.

Feb. 17, Bengal, British str., for Europe. Feb. 17, Bellerophon, British str., for Amoy. Feb. 17, Taicheong, German str., for Hongay. Feb. 17, Clara, German str., for Hoihow.

Feb. 17, Emma Luyken, German str., for S'hai. Feb. 17, Formosa, British str., for Swatow. Feb. 17, Hating, French str., for Haiphong. Feb. 17, Choysang, British str., for Shanghai.

Feb. 17, Diamante, British str., for Manila. Feb. 17, Loongmoon, German str., for Shanghai. . Feb. 17, Ancona, British str., for Japan.

Feb. 17, Pyrrhus, British str., for Singapore. Feb. 17, Loyal, German str., for Canton. Feb. 17, Franz Ferdinand, Austrian str., for Yokohama.

Passengers-Arrived. Per Pyrhus, from Amoy-620 Chinese.

Per Nanyang, from Saigon -24 Chinese. Per Taksang, from Bangkok-5 Chinese. Per Wingsang, from Shanghai, &c .- Mr. and Mrs. Martinson, and 5 Chinese.

Departed. -- Per-Bengal, Wom-Kobe for London-Mrs. A. L. Rock. From Nagasavi for Port Said-Mr. Alexandorff. From Shanghai for Singapore -- Dr. Eden Paul. For Colombo-Messrs. E. Brown and L. S. Biddulph. For London-Miss Ashy From Hougkong for London-Messrs. A. and F. Fregillus (2), Mr. P. S. King. Mis. Cang and family. For Brindisi - Mesars. N. J. Diese, Jos. Moresh, G. | Blatter E. F. Van Hootegan, C. M. B. Schenkelberg. P. Hohenadell, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Forlescue. For Sucz-Mr. A. Blom. For Bombay-Mr. S. C. Khan. For Colombo-

Messrs, L. E. John and A. G. Robinson. For. A

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Insurances.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE

UNITED STATES.

FINAL FIGURES. FOR 1899.

THE Head Office of the Eastern Branch has now received a further Telegrant giving the revised Engines for the last year, which show an increase, both in Assets and Surplus upon the previous year.

The final figures are: --

ASSET'S. £58.373.185

. SURPLUS. £12,732,808.

NEW BUSINESS. £42,354.548.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS. on 31st December. £219,670,088.

F. KIENE, Acting Manager, No. 9, Praya, Hongkong. 12th February, 1900.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE

· COMPANY OF HAMBURG. THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at

CURRENT RATES. STEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

Antimations.

TREASURY.

PENDERS for SPECIES MENICAN DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.1.7., in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at to days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London; will be received by the Officer in. Charge of H.M. Treasury, until 11 A.M., on THURSDAY, the 22nd instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100. The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed

covers, addressed to the Officer in Charge of Fl.M. Treasury, and endorsed "Tenders for Treasury Bills? The right to accept or reject any or all of the

Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES, Colonel, T. C. Officer, China. Her Majesty's Treasury Office,

Queen's Road Hongkong, 15th February, 1900: HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

CO., LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING - of SHARRING DERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Prayac on MONDAY, the 26th February, 1900, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 26th February, both days inclusive. By order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE,

Hongkong, 30th January, 1900.

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS i the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, or WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, at 12 o'clock (NOON) to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1899, and the Report of the Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 14th to 28th instant, both days inclusive. J. WHEELEY,

Hongkong, 12th February, 1900.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

CO., LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY FIRST ORDINARY L ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 1st day of March, 1900, at 12 o'clock (NOON), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1899, and the Report, of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th February to the 1st March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General, Managers, HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED. Hongkong, 30th January, 1900.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, EIMITED.

on THURSDAY, the 8th March, at 12 o'clock | required. will be CLOSED from the 22nd instant to the | Collector of Customs at San Francisco. 8th March, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Mails.

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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION,

DESTINATIONS,

STEAMERS.

SAILING DATES.

WERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, FRIDAY, 23rd Feb., at Davight. WAKASA MARU J. B. MacMillan COLOMBO and PORT SAID MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, FRIDAY, 23rd Feb., at SYDNEY and MELBOURNE... KASUGA MARU E. W. Haswell FUTAMI MARU....... [NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO-] SATURDAY, 24th Feb., at

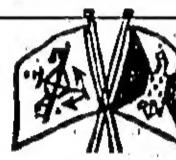
For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

MILKE MARU SBOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and FREDAY, and March, a

A. S. MIHARA,

Hongkong, 14th February, 1900.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.



HAMBURG-AMERIKA

(Freight Service.)

· (Proight Sorvice.) (Taking Cargo at through Rates to Antwere, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Lisbon, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GEROA, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN FORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

	SUBJECT, TO ALTERATION.		
STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS. C.	SAILING DATES.	
Knuth	BORDEAUX, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (LONDON withtranshipment in HAMBURG)	{ 27th } February. }	Freight.
ASTURIA } Hildebrandt }	NEW YORK. (via Suez Canala)	About 18th }	Freight.
*SAVOIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	(About 22nd)	Ereight and Passage
SANONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	About 31st \ March.	Freight.
Schüder	HAMRE and HAMBURG, (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	About 6th ?	Freight and Passage.
* These Steamer a Stewardess.	s have Superior Accommodation for Passen	gers and carry	a Doctor and
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 15th February, 1900.

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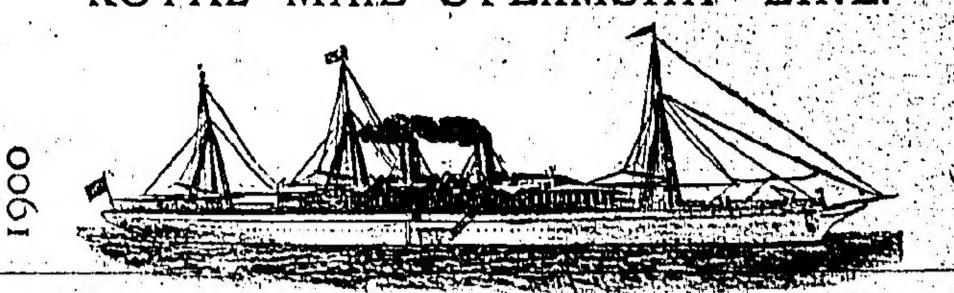
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THE Steamship

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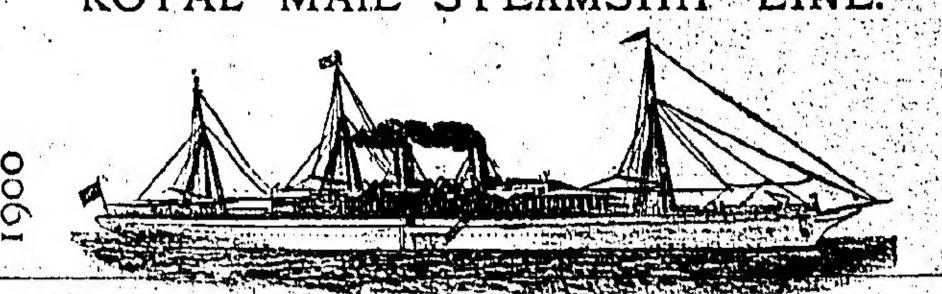
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Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Tuesday, 1st May,

at Noon.

and Honolulu). THE Company's Steamship

land Sea, Yokohama

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journey at any point en route, when Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic, of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be ob-

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB RACE MEETING, 1900.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd February, TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained

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THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 20th, 21st and 22nd instant.

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T. F. HOUGH, . Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 14th February, 1900 ... [208b HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Day without Tickets, which can be had on Application to the Undersigned.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 14th February, 1900.

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 35.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on

MONDAY, the 19th day of February, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information. By Command.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th January, 1900.

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday; the 19th day of February, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWNLAND, at Mong-Kok-Tsui, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of

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By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd February, 1900

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1900. Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 19th day of February, 1900, at 3.30 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Covernor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Yau-matti, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a terni-ol-75-Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN

for one further term of 75 years.
PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

HOW OUR GUNS FOR SOUTH AFRICA ARE MADE.

SOME OF THE WONDERS OF THE WORK-SHOPS AT THE WOOLWICH ARSENAL.

Never in the history of England has the subject of artillery been so universally discussed as at present. It is generally recognised that the weapons which the War Office has sent out to South Africa are sunsuitable and insufficient for the work in hand, and the reverses which have attended the advance of the British forces were attributed in a great measure to that fact. Everybody'is talking guns and gunnery; and, under the circumstances, some particulars about the making of field-pieces and the place where they are made, will not be without interest.

The guns for the British Navy and Army are turned out at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich. There also our ammunition is made, from the smallest rifle cartridge to the huge shell-fired by the 110-ton gun.

Perhaps nothing demonstrates more strikingly the might of the British Empire than a visit to the Woolwich Arsenal. Something like 18,000 men are employed there, many of them at the present crisis working night and day. The wages bill amounts to a million and a half annually, and three million pounds' worth of guns and ammunition are turned out in the twelve months, Perhaps the best idea of the magnitude of the place can be afforded by stating the fact that a complete service of trains runs between the factories. All trains are first, second; and third class, and they carry everybody, from the superintendent or the visiting Commander in Chief to the

YOUNGEST APPRENTICE LAD.

In a sense, the Arsenal illustrates the develthere the visitor may see great pilerof obsolete weapons, that in their day seemed the deadliest, things in warfare. Now they are merely small mountains of scrap-iron. Should some of the guns now in South Africa have been added to those rubbish hears? That is a question for future settlement.

From its earliest days the Woolwich Arsenal seems to have suffered from the excessive economy of Chancellors of the Exchequer. Its annals show that if England had been suddenly plunged into war between the years 1870-80 a decisive defeat of the British arms would have been inevitable; for parsimony on the part of the gentleman who kept the national purse had resulted in the store of cartridges becoming to reduced that at one time it was found necessary to transfer half a million rounds from the northern depots to London to meet immediate wants!

This state of affairs was pointed out to a well-known Cabinet Minister. The danger of it, the certainty of defeat if war broke out were dilated upon.

"Gentlemen," the Minister replied, "are there not lamp-posts in Pall-mail? And when that defeat comes the populace will make a big symbolizes to them a capacity to improvise three days. effort to utilise them !

Did he mean that the lamp-posts, would be | their cause seems desperate to the rest of the England, but his own ignorance, converted into cannon, or that the populace [world.]

would take refuge up them? Such then, is one of the difficulties, that the admirable staff at Woolwich Arsenal have to flighting side by side against the common endeal with. But they themselves in days gone by nodded more than once. A huge mortal Boer has regarded resistance to the redcoats as was forged in 1855 with a view to its being his highest duty. The bitter feeling which used in the Crimen. It had a bore of 36in. I to-day arrays white men, in the midst of The shells to feed it were so enormous that spe- | wilderness where united they are barely a match cial appliances had to be erected to hoist them | for the black, springs from a long chain of into its capacious maw. When the day of tria- events, most of them highly creditable to the came the monster cracked! It was all a mist | moral sense of the British Parliament, but, so take from beginning to end. The gun is now i far as political sense is concerned, most unused at the Arsenal for merely decorative pur- fortunate. poses; it would certainly never have been of any use.

There is a gigantic steam hammer which may its pressure like butter before a fire.

than 100 miles of wire are used, and, although the most ingenious contrivances are employed in less than three weeks if the men worked of over ninety tons to the square inch la

Woolwich would invariably be presented by a place called Shagter's Nek some clever enterprising apprentice with a The Great Trek, a wholesale emigraforego the souvenir.

piece of mechanism. It is a rather prolonged toward the Texas border. business, and may occupy any length of time up to fourteen days.

accuracy of aim than is possible with a smooth- | civilized South Africa, the greatest body of the bore gun. But it has been found that the people recognised the good intentions of the grooves have a tendency to wear away after a | the British Government and remained loyal. succession of shots. Usually a heavy gun re- Things might have gone on smoothly enough quires relining after: about 150 rounds have but for an agitation in England whose object was been fired. When the breech has been fixed | the immediate abolition of slavery. This movethe gun is painted and is ready for use, having | ment originated with men full of philanthro--in the case of a 12-inch quick firer-cost from first to last about £7,500. It has absorbed the Boer farmers had for many generations worked the energies of 500 men, and machinery representing 600 horse-power. The 6-inch gun being sent to the front can be fired at the rate of | where black men, were to be found. The

five shots a minute." -and first place to the lyddite class, to the abolish the institution by slow degree But he power of which the Boers have voluntarily tes- | did resent the injustice and arrogance of London tified. Lyddite shells are a comparatively recent addition to our munitions. They were with cruelty and denounced him as a semiused in warfare for the first time at Omdurman, I sovage. Parliament, as we all know, voted a where they played havor with the Mosque.

distinctive colour. The complexion of the lyd- so ridiculously inadequate that the farmers dite shell is yellow-a colour which suggests found themselves bankrupt as the result of this that of the terrible explosive. When a lyddite alleged generosity. Beers who owned slaves shell strikes anything its leaves its mark be. for whom they had paid £500 apiece were inhind it in a double sense. If it does not annie demnified by an offer of L50 when at the same hilate the object it is aimed at, it brands it a time each slave was mortgaged for several times yellowish colour. No doubt many of the bould- that amount. When the day of emancipation ers behind which the floers hide have been thus arrived, 1838, nothing could persuade the decorated, Chemists have discovered that blacks to remain at work, and lonely farms lyddite in itself is an excellent cure for burns, What incongruity ! Of other kinds of shell shrappel is coloured a vivid red, while the armour piercing variety have a white ring paint- forced to choose between remaining on a valueed just below the point,

All shells at present used by the British War conquering new territory from the warlike. Office may be divided into three great groups; natives. This Great Trek took them to the viz, the armour-piercing, the common shell, and the shrapnel. The first-named relies sole | vaal. There was, fighting at every stage of ly on its own weight and the force with which; their journey, and the women loaded the musit is discharged to pierce with its sharp, barden : kets for their husbands and sons, This Great ed point the objective it is aimed at. On con- Trek was the school in which Paul Kruger was cussion it explodes, and thus completes its | educated a school in which there were no deadly work. The common shell deprived of books but the Bible and no mechanical arts point, is used mainly for the damage it causes, save those connected with the repair of a flint- | Sinclair's plaure,"

and destruction all round it.

of advancing troops.

The weight of some of these shells is almost

THE BOER SOLDIER

(BY POULTNEY BIGELOW.)

in the year made memorable by the Jameson there was much military stir, and speculation ing cattle and destroying farm-houses. flict between Hoer and Briton. President encampment of mounted police, and when I called upon General Joubert, his office resem-The commander of the National Artillery, a grateful acknowledgment stables in course of erection. His multfrom the field of Waterloo.

heated and then wound round and round something cylindrical, and so hammered together as to pass for a cannon by those of us who have forward end of a bullock wagon, and the train ing of a must have been done by gunners who believed in a special providence in lieu of range-

The Beers love this crazy old gun, for it wenpons, and wield them successfully when

The history of British rule in South Africa offers many instances of English and Dutch emy, but, we regret to say many more when the

The battle of Waterloo not only resulted in populating St. Helena with Napoleon I, but made the Cape Colony the permanent home of a also be ranked among the relics. In the days strong British administration. The year 1815 of the iron muzzle-loader this machine was had not closed before this administration erected for the purpose of welding the great came into conflict on the borders of the Cape, the evil spirit of Protectionism, but has added coils of iron, and it has a striking energy of Colony with a certain heer named Besui-1,000 tons ! White-hot iron used to melt under | denhoodt, who declined to recognize the authority of a court messenger haling him for Now our most modern heavy guns are made trial. This Boer was a rough frontiersman, of steel and wire. The latter is wrapped round | who had as hazy a notion of government as the inner tube, and really forms one of the skins | some of Mark Twain's heroes who settled in of the gun. In the case of a 12in, gun no less | Nevada and California ha'f a century ago, Bezuidenhoodt was suspected of carrying on a contraband trade with the natives, and likewise this wrapping process would not be completed of having ill-treated one of them. The charge may or may not have been well-founded, but in night and day! This wire has to bear a strain | any case the Boers themselves were divided as to how far England had a right to stretch her To watch the process of turning a 6 inch | arm into the Black Continent. Soldiers were gun—the class being sent to the war—one | sent out | Bezuidenhoodt resisted and was shot; would imagine that the ponderous steel tubes his family and neighbours clamoured for were nothing more than wood, and that the thin | vengeance, more soldiers and more Boers came strips which fly before the lathe were merely | into conflict, and finally, in 1816, six of the ringshavings. At one time the lady visitor to leaders were tried for high treason and hung at

bracelet made from the chips of steel. The tion of Boers from the Cape Colony to boys used to occupy their leisure time in the uplands of the interior, did not comfashioning the ornaments. But now they have mence until 1836, twenty years later. no leisure time. In their way they are very From Shagter's Nek there went forth a busy helping to wipe that "something off a band of irreconcilable farmers or cow-boys slate," and the lady visitor must perforce to who had so long lived beyond the constraint of law that they could not reconcile themselves to Another very interesting process is the rifling | any government. They had their counterpart of a field piece. A steel cutter is fixed at the in the American frontiersman, who, in these end of a massive rod, which is driven along the same years, was fighting his way, over the interior of the tube by an ingenious but simple | Allegheny mountains, down the Ohio river, and

While small parties of Boers were, in these early years; joining their brethren of roving, The main object of rifling is to insure greater | not lawless, tastes on the fringes of the then pic zeal, but empty of political sagacity. The their estates by means of slaves, as was then universally the custom in all parts of the world Boer recognized the desirability of treat-"A few words about the shells these guns fire. | ing slaves bumanely-he was even prepared to politicians and missionaries, who charged him large sum for the purchase of slaves, but this Each kind of shell at Woolwich is painted a sum, in the Cape Colony at least, proved to be were left valueless by this one stroke of a philanthropic pen. A large and law-abiding population of Christian white men were thus less farm or trekking into the wilderness and Orange Free State, to Natal and to the Trans-

by the bursting of the charge within it. It is lock. These people left the mother colony, if provided with a time fuse, and on exploding not the mother country, in bitterness at the breaks into hundreds of pieces, casting death | injustice they had experienced, and they retired into a wildeness where the post did not pen-The shrapnel differs by reason of the fact | ctrate, and where no news reached them of the that it contains hundreds of bullets, which are grand progress is liberal legislation which calculated to work fearful havoc among a body marks the England of Queen Victoria's early

After the Boers had fought their way through incredible. The 110-ton gun, for instance, hurls | Natal and settled at Durban, the English a steel projectile weighing 1,500lbs (or half a Government hid its hand upon the Colony, ton) a distance of nine miles. So that when withdrew it again, and then changed its mind, the British guns do "begin to speak" their wed once more claimed it. It is fortunate voices carry no little distance.—Advocate of for the commerce of the world that Natal is to-day English, for it is a pattern for other colonies and its cities are in favourable contrast with_those_of the_Boer_Republic._But_from_ the Boer point of view the behaviour of the English Government was capricious, if not

In 1835 Dutch and English had fought On the occasion of my Visit to the Transvaal splendidly side by side in the Cape Colony against an invasion of 15,000 blacks; who raid, and the imperial cable to Paul Kruger, had been for some time occupied in stealwas already then rife regarding a possible con- amount of damage done has been officially assessed at £30,000, intended to cover the loss Kruger received me in a house protected by an of 459 farm houses completely destroyed, 350 others partially destroyed and 60 big farm wagons destroyed. The stolen property includbled a museum of modern rifles, for he was | ed about 9,000 horses, 112,000 cattle, and discussing with his colleagues the telative 162,000 sheep. The Boers fought bravely, sufmerits of Mauser, Krag Jorgenson, Manini- fered great hardships, and earned the gratitude. Henry, Lebel, and other makes. Above the of every colonist at the Cape, and notablytown German engineers were constructing art that of the Governor, Sir Benjamin d'Urban, tillery positions which I was not allowed to who called them out. They had been inspect, or even approach. From a distance I promised compensation for their losses was reminded of some of the forts about Metz. during the war, and looked at least for broad faced, good insured Boer, and who look. Street. The result, however, was a sured to me somewhat odd in the Austrian un- prise for everyone, from the Governor down. iform, showed me over his camp and dwelt Downing Street scolded them roundly for opement of our Navy and Army, for here and with pride upon the new barracks and lighting against the blacks-indeed, it was very evident that missionaries and not soldiers were leris to were physically a good-looking set of impower at Westminister. This along with the young men; the equipment appeared to be of ruin of their property, through the sudden the best quality; the Krupp guns were well abolation of slavery, brought to the side of the cared for, and there was besides an anomalous | Boers a large portion of the wavering populabattery made up of what was captured from | tion; who were made to feel that while the lameson. The Cape cart in which that invader | black man could secure any favour had made his progress was treasured as care. through, Exeter Hall, there was not even fully as is the coach in which Napoleon fled common justice for a Boer. The eighty years which have clapsed between the Battle

But of all the nulitary, things in and about of Waterloo and the Jameson raid have been Pretoria none was so significant to me as a years in which a large portion of Boers have piece of artillery which had seen service in the handled the tille as freely as we handle the penwar of 1881. The whole of this machine might | They have might their way through black | get was : " Mother did not allow her to go to have been constructed by an average village | tribes or introbering them ten to one. Someblack-smith. The tires of ex-wagons, had been of their expeditions have been massacred, but the rest have not been discouraged, Fiven to-day the recreation of Boers who live in town is to go for a day's seen specimens constructed in the Middle Ages | rifle shooting, if possible after game, if not, This stronge instrument was mounted on the I then at a target. Every Boer, from the Chief Justice down, knows how to cook in the l open and organize a bivouse. It is safe to say that even today the average citizen of the Transvaal is ready at a moment's notice to take the field fully armed anti-equiqued for at least

The chief enemy of the Boer to day is not

The Boer under the English flag enjors more liberty than in the Transvaal, yet so ignorant are the burghers of "Oom Paul," that they persist in picturing Englishmen'as tyrants desirous of everthrowingtheir freedom. Nowherein English circles have theard more violent abuse of Pre- hosident Kruger's retrograde police than in Pretoria from the mouth, of his own burghers-but these particular men happened to have travelled and observed for themselves that it is England which stands for freedom in things colo- past. hial, and that no such tyranny would be tolerated in Germany as disgraces the so-called Republic of South Africa. But it is our business to look at Boers from their own side and thus to understand the grievances they entertain, in order that after the war the breach may be healed-let us hope for ever To-day the Government of Pretoria has not merely received to it these features of special privilege and monopoly which were a scandal in the reign of Louis XIV. The education of youth has been for political reasons hampered almost as studidly as in Poland. Young Boers can no longer get a good education at Fretoria, but must go to a neighbouring colory for this purpose. Of late years the Kruger Government has emulated the spirit of Pobledonostseff in seeking to exterminate the language and the institutions which appeared to be hostile to the Government. Instead of recruiting the official ranks from their brother Boers in adjoining colontes, they have confessed to an almost Chinese lack of capacity by drawing young clerks directly from Rotterdam, and exhibiting favorish haste to isolate themselves from the great onward movement of the white race in South Africa. All this I believe to be bad for the Boers

their most intelligent citizens, I hail the day when Krugerism shall have become in South Africa as impelent as the Mormon Government in Utab. As to the war as a political necessity, at 'this moment it is not for to express an opinion. But this much I may say, that the whole world has, an interest in its speedy close and above all in its conduct, so that it may leave behind

themselves, and therefore, in common with

the least possible trace of animosity. Time works wonders in these matters, for many of us present, who can recall the hatred between Americans during the great Civil War, now witness their descendants fighting side by side for a united country. Boers and Britons have stood shoulder to shoulder in their wars, with native tribes, and I, for one, expect to see the day when we shall hear from the Cape to the Zambesi only one tongue, know only one union of free states, and see but one uniform under which shall beat loyal hearts descended from the men who now face each other in anger .-

THE LAST, FAREWELL.

It was July. The relentless sun flared with tropical impeluosity upon Spring Court, West Central, Its mys penetrated the little flat, or, rather, "upper part" of No. 4, and showed up its poor meagre furniture, low blackened ceiling, and worm-caten boards. It also threw a halo of gold about the head of a woman as she sat working at a table by the window. Piles of manuscript lay at her side, and her pen moved

rapidly as she covered sheet after sheet. At length she moved, and, going to the cupboard, made aliasty meal of a sandwich and a glass of milk. She scarcely observed what she ate. Her whole soul was in her work, and her great! glass was hadly empty when she was back

again, her pen flying still more rapidly. A timid-knock at the door, and agirl entered. His wifels face puckered. She was about twelve years of age, and had the same golden brown hair as her mother.

The woman lifted her head.

"Is that you, Mary? Get your lunch, darling; you'll find it in the emyboard, I am very busy." The girl put down her school-hooks, spread: table-cloth and proceeded in silence to her

modest repast, At length-she spoke.

" Mother?" "Yes, dear?"

The Independent.

"I saw Mrs. Sinclair to day." "What did she say?"

"She askedme again if I could sit for Mr.

Stella Adainpushed her manuscript away and rose. She was a woman with an intellectual face, and Mary resembled her to a remarkable degree. Both were artistically correct-from the highbred forehead and nose to the wellshaped hand and foot. Neither of these women would perhaps attitude lattention in a crowd; their beauty was too subdued, their dress too

The mother absently fingered a vase of cheap London flowers, and her thoughts went back fifteen years.

She was a young girl in her teens at that time, and she and Hugh had dearly loved one another. But Stella's parents were poor, and their daughter's beauty her sole dower. So Hlugh Sinclair was given his "conge," and Stella, a year after, was persuaded to marry a timely rich man devoted to the only daughter of well-bred paupers. Ah! how things had turned out since then!

Stella was the penniless wife of a convict; and Hugh Sinclair, the rising artist, was the fortunate husband of a wealthy, good-natured, if somewhat vulgar Jewess. Parents dead, penniless and proud, Mrs. Adair was just able by the work of her brain to support herselfand her daughter in deceny.

And the woman sighed.

And now this strange thing had happened-Mrs. Sinclair had met Mary! Quite naturally, of course, and in this unanner: Fussy, good natured, and philanthropic, Mrs. Sinclair took a great interest in children and schools. She loved prize-givings, baznars, and such-like, and one day came across Mary at a girls' concert.

Now, Mrs. Sinchair's two children resembled their mother; and, as that good lady heard Mary sing, and marked her angelic face, eyes with long-fringed lashes and golden hair, she sighed and bethought her of Rachel and

"Such a pity! And Hugh so wanting a never know!" child's face for his masterpiece!" However, one cannot have everything in this world; and the fates had given her unlimited

wealth, a handsome husband, and two children. The girls were gawky and good. "But--" And Mrs. Sinclair looked at Mary and sighed. | a toast. What would she not have given for a daughter like that?

And so the kindly soul sought out Mary? found she was poor and fatherless, and asked | lonely woman. her to come and play with Rachel and Rebecca. To her surprise the invitation was refused. She renewed it, but the only response she could

parties." Poor Mary The girl seemed almost inclined to rebel. She loved luxuries and finethings. There was little to attract the eye in the upper part of that drear No. 4 in Spring Court, West Central, and Mrs. Sinclair had actually singled her out from all the girls at the concert! It was really too bad of mother. So that it was somewhat pettishly that Mary responded over the bread I and cold meat that frizzling day in July.

" Do you want to go to Mrs. Sinclair's Mary? The girl coloured with pleasure. Was her mother relenting?

"She has a beautiful house and--" "I said, do you want to go?"

"Yes, mother, I should like it" (eagerly). Stella sighed. With all her toil, it was as much as'she could do to decently clothe and send her girl to the High School. It was quite natural that the fleshpots of Egypt attracted

And so Mary went, and Hugh Sinclair, sitting in his studio, started and paled as he saw the girl enter on his wife's arm. It was to him a ghost out of the long-dead

"What is your name, my dear?" he asked, stroking gently the golden curls lying around " Mary Adair!"

And the timid, long-lashed eyes gazed upward into his. He shook his head. The name conveyed

nothing to him but her eyes brought back a flood of thoughts. And then, looking at the child for her own sake, the man said to himself: "She is beautiful!"

"She is half-fed," said the more practical And she took Mary to her motherly heart.

And, indeed, beside Rachel and Rebecca, Mary did look fragile. And the good woman thought she would call and see Mrs. Adair, and get a lean of her girl for the summer holidays. Poor Stella! When the portly Jewess, rustling in rigid

silk, went down the creaky staircase, the unhappy mother threw herself ou her little bed, and wept tears of humiliation and pain." Not that her visitor was unkind; on the contrary, was her kindness which was the difficulty. And, she was Hugh's wife! Hugh, whom she had last seen with paled and strained eyes when she had bidden him good-bye for ever! But her pride ought not to bright the future of Mary. And Stella, drying her tears, proceeded to dust the shabby little old portmanteau wherein to pack her child's scant ward-

" She is all I have, and I must give her up, 'too!" she thought bitterly; nor was the pain lessened when the girl appeared rosy with delight, full of the kindness of her new friends, and of gladness for her holiday.

"And, ch! mother, he paints such levely pictures. And he says I am like a dear friend he had years and years ago. A dear friend he has lost, and he wants to paint me,"

The tears raced down Stella's cheeks as she bent over her child's things. She could see Hugh. He was the same as ever. His was not one of the forgetful loves. Her heart laughed behind its tears. Severance has, indeed, its. sorrow, but the deadliest pang is to be forgot-

And so Mary went off in high spirits, as un conscious of the mother's loneliness, the mother's grief, as in her bright childhood she was of her own beauty. At first, life has enough to do with living—it is only later that it slackens down to think!

"Yes, my dear," said the portly Mrs. Sinclair over her dessert. "Mrs. Adair is quite the lady—she did not assume anything. Quite the lady, but shockingly poor. It makes me quite ill to think of her rooms in that dreadful partthe shabiness, and all. And yet, with her manner and looks-for she is quite beautifulnever really took in the place till I was gone, When one's once a lady it's wonderful what one can do."

Poor, dear Mrs. Sinclair; that "once" is a long sime coming to some! And yet I doubt not that thinkind goomy diearthath in it much of largess andhous avhich pone are gentle, and "Can't you help ther? (Couldn't she come

down, 100?"

"She is a very difficult person to belp," she answered. "Proud, doar. Not offensively so, you understand. But a sort of woman you could by no means take a liberty with. She would mot thave to alter her manner for any station."

"You have such tact, Ruth," passing his wife the port. "It seems wicked to leave a woman like that. You say the place is very poor?" "All I can say, is, that I never saw any place like it. It's only less of a surprise than the woman who lives in it."

And then, thoughtfully: " I did-try and say something about hercoming to tea to see your pictures or something.

She thanked me so nicely but said she rarely went out. What more could I say?"

"Poor thing 1" said Hugh. For he, too, had been poor and proud once. And the fellowfeeling for all struggle remained with him now in his days of plenty, and gave, perhaps, that charm to the pictures which were making his name famous-fame which he valued only as some sort of recompense to Ruth, "At all events, we'll do what we can for the child.

. And so they did. And Mary was decidedly an acquisition; one of those girls with a pretty shallow nature that finds a smileful way to people's hearts.

Hugh p inted her in every conceivable attitude, and she became the veritable right hand of good Mrs. Sinclair. Thus weeks passed into months, and still she stayed, and still Stella had not the heart to recall her.

Once she came back for a night, so changed, indeed, that her mother cried all night, and turned her face to the wall in her sore heart-

Once, when she knew Hugh was away, she went to Cadogan Gardens and saw his studio and Mary's picture.

It was herself, with the very dress she wore that summer-time long ago!

Then she returned to her lowely life, and wrote and wrote. Stella Adair was7a name getting known to editors. There was something in her work full of heart. Light touches, as if her pen had been dipped in the deep floods through which her life had passed. The days svere turning from the sunshine. It was autumn with the worker and her work.

And, when wearied with incessant toll, she sat by the poor frail remains of a fire-deep in her one luxury of thought—she would wander

And, after all, Mary's future was made. She had kind friends, and the friends loved her. She was beautiful, she would marry and have a home of her own. Pray God, she would, before her heauty and these paintings made her

And in those Gays Stella's husband'diedhe whose name, for the child's sake, she ceased to bear-and the times grew easier for the

Her life's work scened done; and she was When winter came a short hacking cough disturbed her nights. Her daily work grewirksome; her pen was less productive. The winter was hard. Had Mrs. Sinclair only known

that the hampers she sent to Mary's mother were often her sole sustenance! Moreover our old friend, influenza was about. Good Mrs. Sinclair was recovering therefrom,

when one day she sent to her husband's 'studio' in trepidation: " Hugh," she said, "it is quite dreadful " (the ' plump checks, streaming with good-natured sympathy), "poor Mrs. Adair is dying, and neither I nor Mary are fit to go to her. It is quite six weeks since the child saw hermother.

dear, what shall we do?" " I will go," he said simply. The good woman sank on her cushion with a sigh of relief. "" What a dear! I knew you would Hugh. Please do all that is necessary and ---

What will St. Moritz and the influenza-oh,

But Hugh was gone. Buttoning his fur coat tightly around him, he took a hansom, and was soon across London. "Oh, sir, I am so glad you have come," said the landlady. "The poor thing's just goin." You'll find her on the top front; I've jist left

her, and the doctor's a comin' again at five." All was silence as he entered that smill, bare It seemed empty, save for that small bed, and

its still occupant. The man sank on his knees by the couch.

With an effort she half rose, and laid her head on his breast. Both his arms were round her, as with passionate tenderness he smoothed the beautiful hair from the damp forchead. It was as if they had never parted.

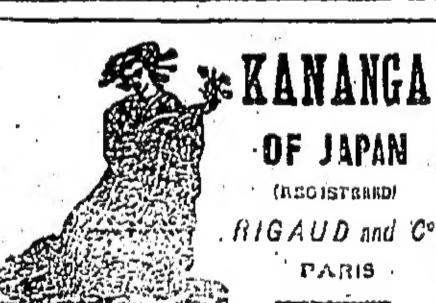
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Hongkong, 12th February, 1900.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship

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Optional cargo will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 21st instant, will

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be recognised. MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW. Hongkong, 14th February, 1900.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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ATAGOSAN MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,253, T.
Tasaka, 15th Feb.,—Salgon 10th Feb.,
Rice and Puddy.—Mitsul Bussan Kalsha. BENLAWERS, British str., 1,484, A. Webster, 15th Feb.,-Java 4th Feb., Sugar,-Gibb, BENVORLICH, British steamer, 2,105, R. W.

Thomson, 14th Feb., -- Moji 9th Feb., Coal. -Gibb, Livingston & Co. CEREDA, British steamer, 1,603, L. Johnson, 12th Feb., Singapore 2nd Feb., Case Oil. -Jardine, Matheson & Co. CHOWTAL, British steamer, 1,100, J. A. Morris, 13th Feb.,—Saigon 9th Feb., Rice.— Butterfield & Swire.

DAPHNE, German steamer, 1,292, Th. Nisson, 31st Dec, -Kutchinotzu 26th Dec., Coal .-Siemssen & Co. DECIMA, German steamer, 2965, Christiansen, 13th Feb.,-Snigon 7th Feb., Rice .-

Sander Wieler & Co. GERMANIA, German steamer, 1,174, A. Möller, 10th Feb., -Java 30th Jan., Sugar. - Jobsen. & Co.

GLENTURRET, British steamer, 3,026, R. Webster, 14th Feb. - London via Singapore 7th Feb., General and H.M.S. Robin. -McGregor Bros. & Gow. GUIN, Russian steamer, 891, O. Rowsell, 16th

- Feb., - Manila 13th Feb.; General. - Order. GUTHRIE, British steamer, 1,494, A. E. Dabelle, 15th Feb.,-Kobe 10th Feb., General.-Gibb. Livingston & Co. HANOI, French steamer, 750, Pannier, 14th

Feb.,-Haiphong toth Feb., and Hoihow 13th, Rice .- A. R. Marty. HINSANG, British steamer, 1,536, M. Crockett, rith Feb., - Java 31st January, Sugar. -Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hongkong, French steamer, 739, Bastian 27th. Dec. - Haiphong and Hoihow 26th Dec., General, -A. R. Marty. HONORONO MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,385 W. E. Filmer, 12th Feb.,-San Francisco

16th Jan., via Honolulu 22nd, Yokohama 4th Feb., Kobe 5th, Nagasaki 7th, and Shanghai toth, Mails and General.- J. S. Van Buren. Kong Beng, British steamer, 862, F. W. Joslin, 12th Feb., -Saigon 7th Feb., Rice.

and Paddy .- Butterfield & Swire. KUMSANG, British steamer, 2,078, G. Payne, 14th Feb.,-Singapore 7th Feb., General .--Jardine, Matheson & Co. MACDUFF, British steamer, 1,882, R. Glegg, 13th Feb .- Saigon 8th Feb., Rice .-Dodwell & Co., Ld.

MAIDZURU MARU, Japanese steamer, 667, T Ogata, 7th Feb.,-Amoy and Swatow 6th Feb., General.-Order. MENMUIR, British steamer, 1,980, S. J. George, 6th Dec,-Sourabaya and Cheribon 25th Nov., Sugar. - Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MONGRUT, British steamer, 859, N. G. Majer, r6th Feb.,-Bangkok via Kolisi-chang 6th Feb., General. Butterfield & Swire. NATUNA, Danish steamer, 458, Petersen, 16th Feb Bangkok 6th Feb., Teak Wood -

OOPACK, British steamer, 2,517, J. Barber, 16th Feb. Singapore 10th Feb., General. Inrdine Matheson & Co. PHRA NANO, British steamer, 1,029, A. S. Calden toth Feb., Bangkok 29th Jan.,

General -- Butterfield & Swire.

PROSPER, Norwegian steamer, 789, Thorsten-Sugar,-Geo. R. Stevens & Co. RELIEV. American transport, 1,000, Frank Harding, 13th Feb. - Manila 10th Feb. ROHILLA, British steamer, 2,216, S. de B.

Lockyer, R.N.R., 14th Feb.,-Yokohama 7th Feb., General.-P. & O. S. N. Co. THALES, British steamer, 879, W. Passmore, 16th Feb. Taiwanfoo 13th Feb. Amoy 14th, and Swatow r5th, General.-Douglas, Lapraik & Co. VICTORIA, American steamer, 1,992, John

Panton, 29th Jan .- Manila 26th January, Ballast .- Dodwell & Co., Ld. YEDO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,068, S. Saito, 16th Feb. Moji 10th Feb. Coal Wing Tai Loong .-

Sailing Vessels.

ALLERTON, British ship, 1,938, Toye, 31st Jan. -Cardiff 8th Sept., Coal.—Admiralty. BRODERCK, CASTLE, British ship, 1,745, O. Olsen, 20th Jan. - New York 24th Aug.,

Case Oil .- Standard Oil Co. EMILY REED, American ship, 1,460, D. C. Nicklos, 1st Feb. Singapore 11th Dec. Petroleum.-Standard Oil Co. ISAAC REED, American ship, 1,887, Watts, 8th

Feb. - New York 16th Aug., Kerosine Oil. -Standard Oil Co. TRAFALOIR, British 4-masted bark, 1,616, M. S. Wright 26th Dec.,-Hongay 15th Dec., Ballast -- Sander, Wieler & Co.

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For Canton-Per Falshan, to-morrow, the 18th instant at 9 A.M.
For Manila, Ilollo and Cebu—Per Kweiyang on Monday the 19th instant, at I P.M. For Nagasaki and Port Arthur-Per Girin

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Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbanc, Sydney and Melbourne Per Guthrie on Monday, the 19th instant, at 5 P.M. For Swalow and Bangkok Per Kongbeng on Tuesday, the 20th Instant, at 9 A.M. For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta-Per Kunstang on Tuesday, the 20th inst., at 11 A.M. For Singapore, Penang and Hombay—Per

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